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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 35, 57 and 58 recite allowable subject matter. Applicants have rewritten each of claims 35, 57 and 58 into independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Based on the Examiner's indication, claims 35, 57 and 58 should now be allowable.

Applicants confirm their election of the invention of Group I (claims 1-43, 55-77 and 81) and have canceled the non-elected claims without prejudice or disclaimer to their right to file a divisional application. They have also amended their pending claims to more particularly point out their invention(s). Applicants request reconsideration and allowance in view of the claim amendments and the following remarks.

In response to the rejection under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, for purposes of expediency, applicants have removed the term "linear" from claims 12 and 68. This should obviate the "non-enablement" rejection.

Applicants have further amended each of their independent claims to recite inter alia that the buffer stores an inline command that calls a display list stored elsewhere in memory. As the undersigned explained to Examiners Bella and Singh during the 14 December 2004 personal interview, this feature does not appear to be taught or suggested by the applied McCormack et al reference. McCormack, which is entitled "Hierarchical ring buffers for buffering data between processor and I/O device permitting data writes by processor and data reads by I/O device simultaneously directed at different buffers at different levels", discloses allocating a plurality of ring buffers at different levels of the memory. See Abstract. McCormack et al does not appear to teach or suggest, in combination, providing an inline call within a graphics command buffer, the inline call referring to a display list stored elsewhere in memory. This feature similarly does

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not appear to be taught or suggested by the secondary references Houg, Kovacevic, Pardo or Berning et al.

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In accordance with Rule 97, the undersigned attorney submits the document listed on the attached form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy to the undersigned as an indication that the attached document has been considered and made of record in this case.

All outstanding issues have been addressed and this application is in condition for allowance. Should any issues remain, applicants request the Examiner to contact the undersigned representative and discuss by telephone to avoid the need for any additional written action.

Respectfully submitted,

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